MINUTES OF THE SENATE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STANDING COMMITTEE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2009 ROOM 250 STATE CAPITOL

Members Present: Sen. D. Chris Buttars, Chair

Sen. Gregory S. Bell

Sen. Allen M. Christensen Sen. David P. Hinkins Sen. Patricia W. Jones

Sen. Luz Robles

Staff Present: Mark D. Andrews, Policy Analyst

Cami Deavila, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Alisha Hayden, Student, Brigham Young University

Sabrina Morales, Linguistica International

Bruce Adams, Commissioner, San Juan County

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Sen. Buttars called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Bell moved to approve minutes from February 23 and February 25, 2009 meetings.

The motion passed unanimously with Sens. Hinkins and Robles absent for the vote.

1. HB0144, Medical Language Interpreter Act (R. Chavez-Houck)

Rep. Chavez-Houck introduced the bill.

Ms. Hayden and Ms. Morales spoke for the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.B. 144, Medical Language Interpreter Act, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to place H.B. 144, Medical Language Interpreter Act, on the consent calendar.

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The motion passed unanimously.

2. <u>HJR003</u>, Joint Resolution Supporting Efforts to Increase and Improve Cancer Treatment, Screening, and Research Programs (S. Duckworth)

Rep. Duckworth introduced the resolution.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to pass H.J.R. 3, Joint Resolution Supporting Efforts to Increase and Improve Cancer Treatment, Screening, and Research Programs, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to place H.J.R. 3, Joint Resolution Supporting Efforts to Increase and Improve Cancer Treatment, Screening, and Research Programs, on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. <u>HB0254</u>, <u>Health Professional Authority-Death Certificates</u> (B. Last)

Rep. Last introduced the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Christensen moved to pass H.B. 254, Health Professional Authority-Death Certificates, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to place H.B. 254, Health Professional Authority-Death Certificates, on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. <u>HJR005S01, Joint Resolution Supporting Needed Improvements in the Navajo Nation's Ability to Collect and Track Child Support Payments</u> (*C. Watkins*)

Rep. Watkins introduced the resolution.

Mr. Adams spoke for the resolution.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to pass 1st Sub. H.J.R. 5, Joint Resolution Supporting Needed Improvements in the Navajo Nation's Ability to Collect and Track Child Support Payments, out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

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The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to place 1st Sub. H.J.R. 5, Joint Resolution Supporting Needed Improvements in the Navajo Nation's Ability to Collect and Track Child Support Payments, on the consent calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Hinkins moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Christensen absent for the vote.

Sen. Buttars adjourned the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Minutes were reported by Cami Deavila, Secretary.

D. Chris Buttars, Committee Chair